



### MEDC Assisted the Following Existing Companies with Expansion and/or Growth in 2016

These expansions created **579 jobs** and **\$44.7 million in investment**.

- Bass Pro Shops
- B & D Industrial
- Beasley Flooring Products, LLC
- California Cereal Products
- Coliseum Health Systems
- Fleenor Paper Company
- Freudenberg Performance Materials
- HAECO
- Macon Beer Company
- Nichiha USA
- Williams Communications, Inc.
- YKK USA Inc.

#### Piedmont Brewery and Kitchen – December 2016

*Project Manager: Candice Scott, GA Department of Economic Development*

Piedmont Brewing and Kitchen announced plans to create a brewpub in historic downtown Macon. Owners Brian Whitley and Richie Jones plan to invest **\$400,000** in creating the 7,000 square foot brewery and restaurant that will **employ approximately 25**. They expect to produce a wide variety of beer styles, around 20 unique offerings each year.

#### FedEx Ground – October 2016

*Realtor: Rick O'Brien, Jones, Lang, LaSalle*

FedEx Ground is building a 248,000 square foot distribution center on 33 acres in the I-75 Business Park. The new facility is part of a nationwide expansion to increase daily package volume capacity and improve the speed and service of the FedEx Ground network. Total jobs and investment to be determined.

#### Guard Buildings – September 2016

*Realtor, Larry Crumbley, Fickling and Co.,*

Guard Buildings LLC plans to open a 23,000 square foot manufacturing facility in Macon-Bibb County. The Florida based company manufactures industrial modular shelters and plans to initially hire **25 employees** and invest **\$2,000,000.00**. This facility will be Guard-Buildings' third manufacturing plant.

#### Elite Screens – May 2016

Elite Screens opened a new Georgia facility to serve the Southeast United States territory. The Elite Screens Macon, Ga. Office will provide an additional 84,600 square feet of new office & warehouse space. This new facility will operate as the Southeast and Latin American hub for logistics & service support. The convenient location allows regional customers receive product within 2 business days for most ground services. It is expected that the new Georgia facility will be able to reduce shipping costs throughout the Southeast US territory by up to 50%.

#### CJ Korea Express – April 2016

*Project Manager: Brian Cardoza, Rooker and Stuart Pendley, CBRE*

CJ Korea Express, part of the Korean based CJ Group, has established a logistics warehouse in Macon-Bibb County to serve Kumho Tire. The company has located in 33,000 square feet in Ocmulgee East Industrial Park and will employ approximately 4 to start. CJ Korea Express will coordinate receiving and shipping of rubber for Kumho Tire.

#### Ocmulgee Brewpub – March 2016

*Project Manager: Candice Scott, GA Department of Economic Development.*

Just Tap'd, a downtown Macon craft beer and pint café, plans to open a 12,000 square foot food manufacturing facility on Second Street in downtown Macon. With an investment of **\$400,000**, Ocmulgee Brewpub will **employee 12** initially. With plans to serve one-of-a-kind gourmet burgers and salads, Ocmulgee Brewpub will select only the finest grains, hops, yeast, to combine with Macon water (best tasting in the country) to form their brews

#### Yulista Aviation, Inc. – January 2016

*Project Manager: Candice Scott, GA Department of Economic Development. Doug Faour, Middle Georgia Regional Airport.*

Yulista Aviation, Inc, a subsidiary of Yulista Holding, will provide aviation prototyping, engineering and manufacturing support in a 21,000 square foot hanger located at the Middle Georgia Regional Airport. The Canadian company, which already has offices in Byron

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and Warner Robins, will continue its efforts to support the U. S. Air Force and other Department of Defense and federal government agencies with its work on fixed wing and rotary wing aircraft. Yulista will invest **\$1.8 million** and add **50 employees** to their Middle Georgia staff of 40.

### **The Boeing Company – September 2015**

*Project Manager: Candice Scott, GA Department of Economic Development; Jim Lovett, Georgia Power.*

The Boeing Company, the world's largest aerospace company and leading manufacturer of commercial, business and defense jets and space security systems, will invest **\$81.7 million** to retrofit and equip their existing 220,000 sq. ft. defense-related facility in the Airport Industrial Park in Macon- Bibb County for the commercial manufacturing of 747-8 fuselage panel assemblies. Over the next three years, this undertaking will create up to **200 new jobs**.

The Boeing 747-8 is a wide-body jet airliner developed by Boeing Commercial Airplanes. The 747-8 is the largest 747 version, the largest commercial aircraft built in the United States, and the longest passenger aircraft in the world.

### **Chem-Aqua – August 2015**

*Project Manager: Candice Scott, GA Department of Economic Development; Jim Lovett, Georgia Power; Brian Cardoza, Rooker; Chip Watson, Avison Young.*

Chem-Aqua announced the expansion and relocation of their Macon based water treatment company to the Rooker building on Joe Tamplin Industrial Blvd located in the Ocmulgee East Industrial Park. The company will put a 10 year lease on 44,000 sq. ft. of the Rooker building and plan to invest **\$3.5 million** along with retaining **38 jobs**. Chem-Aqua, formally known as Anderson Chemical, was founded here in Macon in 1946.

### **Courier Express – July 2015**

*John Strohofer and Donnie Laurens, Fickling Company.*

Courier Express has leased 42,600 sf in the Allied Industrial Park area to provide courier delivery services, freight, LTL, warehousing, logistics, medical & pharmaceutical delivery. They will maintain their workforce of **15**.

Courier Express was founded in 1985 in Atlanta, Georgia, with a focus on providing timely, dependable courier service. Courier Express operates in 40+ cities across the US. Today, Courier Express is one of the largest courier companies in the nation. John Strohofer and Donnie Laurens, Fickling Company, represented the owner in the transaction.

### **First Quality Packaging Solutions, LLC – July 2015**

*Project Manager: Candice Scott, GA Department of Economic Development; Jim Lovett, Georgia Power*

The Georgia Department of Economic Development (GDEcD) joined Macon-Bibb leaders to announce that First Quality Packaging Solutions (FQPS), LLC, a leading plastics packaging company, will locate manufacturing operations in Macon, creating **115 jobs** and investing **\$115 million** over the next five years. FQPS business leader Donald Deubel announced that FQPS selected Macon, Georgia as the home for our flagship manufacturing operation. The company also considered sites in FL, SC, and PA. FQPS will modernize a 314,000 sf facility in the Airport Industrial Park. FQPS will design, develop and manufacture innovative plastic packaging for the Retail Food, Food Service and Healthcare market segments. FQPS is an affiliate of First Quality Baby Products, LLC, which operates a baby diaper manufacturing plant in Macon. FQPS is a member company of the privately held First Quality group of companies, headquartered in Great Neck, New York and a leading manufacturer of nondiscretionary consumer products. The company is a market leader that offers a diversified product offering of high-quality private label and branded products.

### **Kumho Tire USA – July 2014**

*Project Managers: Mark Lytle, Georgia Department of Economic Development; Joe Riley, Georgia EMC*

Kumho Tire USA President Harry Choi announced that the Korean based company will build their first US manufacturing plant in Macon-Bibb. Kumho Tire will invest **\$413 million** and **employ 450** people. The plant will produce over 4 million tires annually and serve the OEM automotive market. The plant will be located on 150 acres in the Sofkee Industrial Park. Kumho Tire, part of the Kumho Asiana Group, is the 7<sup>th</sup> largest conglomerate in Korea.

### **Mr. Chips – February 2014**

*Project Manager: Renee Rosenheck, GA Department of Economic Development; Charles Stallworth, Georgia Power; Realtors: Art Barry, Coldwell Banker Commercial.*

Mr. Chips Inc., a subsidiary of Pinconning, Mich.-based Bay View Food Products Co., will establish a sliced dill pickle and cubed relish processing plant in Ocmulgee East Industrial Park. The company has purchased a 120,000 sq. ft. facility in the park as well as a 30 acre site from the Macon-Bibb County Industrial Authority. The company will invest **\$8.5 million** and **employ 50** people. Bay View Foods has been in the cucumber grading and bringing business since 1946 and are one of the largest briners of the pickling cucumbers in the U.S. with over 5% of the business. Mr. Chips selected Macon due to its location in the Southeast and the capabilities of the Macon Water Authority to provide them with water and treat their waste water.

### **Pactiv – January 2013 and May 2014**

Pactiv Corp. completed the construction of their molded fiber egg carton manufacturing plant in the Airport Industrial Park a year to the day after a fire destroyed the plant in May 2013. Although the plant was a total loss, no employees were injured in the fire. Citing the quality of the Macon workforce, Pactiv made the decision to rebuild the plant on the site of the destroyed plant. The Lake Forest, IL headquartered company invested nearly **\$50 million** in the 237,000 sf facility and retained the **200 jobs** in Macon. Pactiv completed a **\$2.7 million** expansion adding **12 new jobs** in January 2013, just prior to the fire. With over 50 manufacturing plants in several countries, Pactiv Corp. is the world's largest producer of food service disposables and food packaging..

### Aspen Products – November 2013

*Project Manager: Annie Baxter, Walt Farrell, Georgia Department of Economic Development; Lonnie Smallwood, Electric Cities of Georgia; Realtors: Dan Stubbs, Binswanger, Atlanta, GA; Albert Edge, Murphey, Taylor & Ellis, Macon, GA*

Aspen Products, Inc., a privately held company based in Kansas City, Missouri announced that they will locate a manufacturing facility in the 200,000 sq. ft. former Wal-Mart Returned Goods Center in the Airport Industrial Park. Aspen will invest over **\$13 million** and **hire 204** people. Aspen Products has been a major supplier of white paper plates, design plates, cups, bowls and lunch bags for over 30 years. With plants in Kansas City, Missouri, and Richmond, Virginia, Aspen uses the latest technologies in production, design, graphics and printing. Aspen made the decision for Macon after exploring other properties in Georgia and expansions at their current facilities. Dan Stubbs, Binswanger, represented the company and Albert Edge, Murphey Taylor and Ellis, represented the building owner.

### Volunteer Pastilles, LLC – July 2013

*Project Manager: Larry Crumbley, Fickling and Co., Jim Lovett, Georgia Power; Jennifer Nelson, GA Department of Economic Development*

Volunteer Pastilles, a privately held company based in TN with an additional operation in LA, has purchased an 84,000 sq. ft. facility in the Hillcrest Industrial Park to expand their chemical manufacturing operations. Volunteer Pastilles searched buildings in middle GA as well as the GA coast before selecting the Macon building. Pastilles are used as raw materials in a variety of manufacturing processes. For the last 10 years Volunteer Pastilles has provided quality, customized, reliable and competitive products for a range of industries. David Danzie, BB&T provided financing for the project. Volunteer Pastilles will invest in excess of **\$2.5 million** and **employ over 20** in their Macon operation.

### Middle Georgia Printing Cooperative – July 2013

*Project Manager: Sandy Davis, Real Estate South; Jim Lovett, Georgia Power; Jennifer Nelson, GA Department of Economic Development*

Middle Georgia Printing Cooperative, a venture of Smith Communications, Inc. and Community Voice Media, LLC (CVM), will print and distribute weekly newspapers and publications in the middle Georgia region. Middle Georgia Printing Cooperative's mission is to serve the local community by providing timely information about the news and events that affect us locally.

Middle Georgia Printing Cooperative has partnered with Walter Geiger of *The Barnesville Herald-Gazette* and Will Davis of *The Monroe County Reporter* to purchase a 50,000 sq. ft. facility in the Airport Industrial Park for their operations. Plans are to invest over **\$1.5 million** and retain **50 employees**. Josh Lurie, Publisher of *The Jones County News*, will oversee the Macon facility.

### Go Green Plastics– June 2013

*Project Managers: Jennifer Nelson, Georgia Department of Economic Development; Jim Lovett, Georgia Power Company*

Go Green LLC has announced it will locate two recycling companies in Macon- Bibb County. *Go Green Plastics LLC* and *Go Green Bioproducts*. *Go Green Plastics LLC* takes in plastics and other materials, separates it, shreds it, processes it and turns it into pellets to be recycled into usable items. *Go Green Bioproducts LLC* processes liquids such as from soda containers, separates the sugar from the water and recycles both. The company has purchased a 61,452 sq. ft. building on I-16 near Ocmulgee East Industrial Park. Go Green LLC is investing **\$2 million** and expected to **employ 20** by the end of 2013.

### Lintech International LLC– November 2012

*Project Manager: Jennifer Nelson, Georgia Department of Economic Development*

Lintech International, a consultative technical sales and distribution business focused on providing innovative material technologies to advanced materials, composites, plastics, adhesives & coatings markets, has completed the facility expansion of their Macon headquarters located in the Airport Industrial Park. Office space was doubled to add nine offices for increased inside sales and customer service and an expanded conference room for supplier training. The company has added **11 new jobs** and invested **\$1.1 million** in the expansion. Lintech operates ten regional warehouses across the U.S.

### Tractor Supply Company – June 2012

*Project Manager: Renee Rosenheck, GA Department of Economic Development; Charles Stallworth, Georgia Power;*

Tractor Supply Company announced the Nashville, TN-based retailer will locate a Regional Distribution Center in Macon. TSC will build a **686,000 sq. ft.** state of the art distribution center expandable to 960,000 sq. ft. on 119 acres in the I-75 Business Park. The initial investment will be **\$58 million** and **employ 300**. TSC began in 1938 and today they are the largest retail farm and ranch store chain in America serving full and part-time farmers and ranchers, hobby farmers, rural homeowners and contractors.

### Global Parts Distributors – December 2011

*Project Manager: Jim Lovett, Georgia Power; Jennifer Nelson, GA Department of Economic Development*

Global Parts Distributors, llc (gpd), one of the most knowledgeable and dependable sources for aftermarket A/C parts and radiators in the United States has leased 110,000 sq. ft. in the Airport West Industrial Park. The building was developed by Prince Service and Manufacturing, Macon. To serve their customers in the United States gpd ships from locations in Oklahoma, Florida, Atlanta, Kentucky, California, and Pennsylvania. Gpd **employs 50** in their new location.

### Kellstrom Industries – December 2011

*Realtor: George Eichler, Ramsbottom Company*

The FL-based company is a leading US Aerospace Logistics Company; a leader in the airborne equipment segments of the global aviation services after-market. The industry leader specializes in Commercial Airlines & Maintenance Repair and Overhaul (MRO) Facilities; US & International Military Owners/Operators & MROs; Commercial & Military Service Centers; Industrial Aeroderivative. The company has leased 110,000 sq. ft. in the Ocmulgee East Industrial Park and will **employ 20**.

### Graphic Packaging International – June 2011

*Project Managers: Jennifer Nelson, Georgia Department of Economic Development; Jim Lovett, Georgia Power Company*

The Marietta, GA-based packaging giant will expand utilization of biomass energy in its Macon, GA paperboard mill with a **\$140 million** expansion. The project will include a high-efficiency biomass boiler and a 40 megawatt generator and other enhancements and improvements to the 506-employee mill. **66 new jobs** will be created during the construction phase, and up to **58 new fulltime** positions after operations begin.

### E-filing.com, Inc. – April 2011

*Project Manager: Mary Douglass, Georgia Department of Economic Development*

Image-X Enterprises, a global leader in document management, content management, workflow and electronic filing systems will open a Sales and Marketing, Customer Service and Technical Support center in Macon. The California based software company has signed an agreement with Bibb County to host their server and they will begin providing signature authorization services to county governments on the East Coast. E-filing.com, Inc is investing **\$500,000** and creating **10 jobs**.

### USA Discounters – April 2011

*Realtor: David Watson, Grubb & Ellis Atlanta, GA*

USA Discounters, the VA based retailer serving the military and government employees since 1991 has leased 85,000 sq. ft. in the Saddlecreek Warehouse complex in Ocmulgee East Industrial Park for a new Distribution Center offering quality furniture, home theater systems, computer systems, appliances, electronics, rims & tires. USA Discounters is investing **\$1,500,000** and creating **10 jobs**.

### TIMCO Macon – September 2010

*Project Managers: Bill Dobbs, Georgia Department of Economic Development; Jennifer Nelson, Georgia Department of Economic Development*

TIMCO Macon has announced they have been awarded a contract to perform maintenance, repair and overhaul on the Boeing 767 wide-body aircraft for United Airlines. Work will begin 4QTR 2010 at the facility located in the Airport Industrial Park adding **130 new jobs** to the existing 140, with an investment of **\$1.5 million**.

### First Quality – August 2010

*Project Manager: Jennifer Nelson, Georgia Department of Economic Department; Jim Lovett, Georgia Power Company*

First Quality, a Great Neck, NY based manufacturer of absorbent hygiene products has announced the expansion of its manufacturing presence in Bibb County. The company will **retain 222 jobs**, add **53 new jobs** and invest **\$200 million** in its new 750,000 sq. ft. facility located on Avondale Mill Road.

### North Coast Logistics, Inc. – August 2010 – Company lost a contract and closed the Macon facility in 2013

*Developer: Elbert Rivers, Rooker, Atlanta, GA; Bilijack Bell, Wilson Hull Neal, Atlanta, GA*

North Coast Logistics, Inc., is a third party logistics provider based in Brook Park, OH offering warehouse, distribution and transportation services to a broad range of retail clients. The company has located in 75,000 sq. ft. in the Rooker Spec Building in the Ocmulgee East Industrial Park and will make a **\$1million** investment and **employ 20**.

### Make Manufacturing – July 2010

*Project Manager: Jennifer Nelson, Georgia Department of Economic Development*

Make Manufacturing has announced it is expanding its aerospace manufacturing operations. The company has purchased 5 acres in the Airport South Industrial Park. Make manufactures parts for the aerospace industry. The company is adding **15 jobs** and making an investment of **\$1million**.

### BLC Hardwoods – December 2009

*Project Manager: Leah Blasingame, Macon Economic Development Commission*

BLC Hardwoods has announced the addition of a third production line to expand their hardwood flooring operation. The company is located in the Airport Industrial Park. They will be adding a third shift with **20 new employees** with an investment of over **\$1million**.

### Bombardier – December 2009

*Project Manager: Kathy Bowden, Macon-Bibb County Industrial Authority*

The Canadian-based Bombardier has leased a 91,000 sq. ft. hangar at the Middle Georgia Regional Airport for its Southeastern US MRO operation. The company will invest **\$4 million**, retain 100 jobs at the facility, and **add 80 new employees**. The facility was formerly occupied by ASA.

### Bolts & Nuts, Inc. – December 2009

*Project Manager: Kathy Bowden, Macon-Bibb County Industrial Authority*

Bolts & Nuts, Inc., a Chattanooga, TN based operation has leased 6,000 sq. ft. of warehouse space in the Ocmulgee East Industrial Park. They will supply product to Fort Valley's Blue Bird Body Company, investing **\$250,000** and creating **5 new jobs**.

### Calco Environmental Group

The Canadian company purchased a Macon steel fabricator. Calco Environmental Group Ltd. designs, manufactures, commissions, and supports turnkey solutions for soil remediation, and the treatment of air and water in industrial applications. It operates in five divisions: MLE Equipment, Newterra, Pacwill Environmental, Filter Innovations, and Steel Services. They have **invested \$2 million** and **added 5 employees to the current staff of 18**.

**Air Supply General Inc. – July 2009** The company announced in February 2014 they would close the Macon facility.

*Project Manager: Kathy Bowden, Macon-Bibb County Industrial Authority*

Air Supply General, Inc., with offices in Valdosta and Cairo, GA has purchased a 19 acre parcel in the Airport South Industrial Park with plans to construct a 12,000 sq. ft. heating and air conditioning distribution center. The company will invest approximately **\$1million** and create **5 new jobs**.

**Spectrum Macon Industries – May 2009** The company lost a contract and closed the facility in 2012

*Project Managers: Ryan Waldrep, Georgia Department of Economic Development; Jim Lovett, Georgia Power*

*Realtor: Jim Jackson – Jackson & Jackson Realty, Macon, GA*

Spectrum Industries, based out of White City, Oregon, will locate their new finishing facility in Macon, Bibb County, GA. Spectrum Industries has leased 30,000 sq. ft. at the Economy Tire warehouse on Airport Drive and will provide value-added finishing services for manufacturing in the building industry, including Nichiha USA, Inc., Certainteed, Bluelinx, Hallmark, and Parksite. The company will invest **\$1million** and will create up to **10 new jobs**.

**Excess Incorporated – December 2008**

*Project Manager: Candice Scott, Georgia Department of Economic Development*

*Realtor: Albert Edge, Murphey, Taylor & Ellis Realty, Macon, GA*

Excess Incorporated has purchased a 90,000 sq. ft. warehouse on Franklinton Road and anticipates **6 employees** within the first six months with an investment of approximately **\$1.5 million**. In business since 1979, Excess Incorporated has corporate offices in Westlake, Ohio and warehousing in Cleveland, Ohio. Excess has had a business presence in Perry for the last five years and is in the business of new parts inventory liquidation and export related to the transportation sector.

**KT Recycling - November 2008**

*Realtor: Keith Rollins, Rollins Property Group, LLC, Macon, GA*

KT Recycling, a specialty steel recycler, has purchased 49 acres on Jeffersonville Road to construct a 1,300 sq. ft. office building and an 850 sq. ft. truck shed. KT Recycling plans to hire **15 employees** and invest **\$1 million**. This new facility will serve as their headquarters and will handle ferrous scrap, primarily from demolition firms in the area.

**Ferry Morse - July 2008** The company lost a contract and closed the facility in 2013.

*Project Managers: Annie Baxter, Georgia Department of Economic Development; Michelle Cooper, MEAG*

*Realtor: Art Barry-Coldwell Banker Commercial Eberhardt & Barry, Macon, GA*

The Kentucky based company has leased an 115,000 sq. ft. space on White Elk Springs Court inside Ocmulgee East Industrial Park. Ferry-Morse plans to hire **5 full time employees** and as many as 20 during seasonal periods and will be investing **\$1million**. Ferry-Morse Seed Company, a wholly owned subsidiary of Jiffy of the Americas, Inc., is the oldest active seed company in North America. The Macon facility will manufacture and supply plant propagation products such as peat, wood pulp and coir pith.

**AMCO - 2008**

AMCO Constructions Co. Ltd. is a Korean construction company founded in October 2002 in Yangjae-dong Seocho-gu Seoul, South Korea. AMCO is licensed by the Hyundai Motor Company, and its main line of business is construction products. The company researches new technologies such as the modularization method, and floating dock technology. They invested **\$3 million** and hired **15 people** and leased **15,000 square feet**.

**YKK AP America - April 2008**

*Project Managers: Amanda Shailendra, Georgia Department of Economic Development; Brooke Lucas, Georgia EMC*

YKK AP America announced the opening of a new residential window and door manufacturing operation at their facility in the Ocmulgee East Industrial Park. The company began the search for the location for the new facility in 2004 and selected the Macon plant because of proximity to the market. YKK has operated a zipper and fastener manufacturing plant in Macon since the 1970's with over 700 employees. The new window and door facility will initially invest **\$10 million** and employ **60** that will increase as YKK acquires additional market share.

**Anheuser Busch - April 2008** The company realigned their DC network, closing the Macon operation in 2011

*Ralph Skipper: Saddlecreek Corporation*

This international company has been in operation since the 1850s. With 12 production facilities in the US, the Macon-Bibb Distribution Center will serve the southeast market. Saddlecreek Corp., one of the Top 100 third party logistics providers in the country, will provide warehousing and shipping services from their Ocmulgee East Park facility.

**Macon Chips - December 2007**

*Project Manager: Kathy Bowden, Macon-Bibb County Industrial Authority*

Macon Chips has announced an expansion and renovation of 20 acres within the city limits of Macon on Mead Road. The company will invest **\$40 million** and add a total of **40 new jobs**. Macon Chips provides Graphic Packaging International with much of its wood supply.

**The Boeing Company – August 2007**

*Project Manager: Kathy Bowden, Macon-Bibb County Industrial Authority*

Boeing has been awarded the contract for the Chinook helicopter. The Chinook is a heavy lift helicopter designed to transport troops, artillery, supplies and equipment to the battlefield. The contract will create **22 new jobs** and retain **15 jobs** with an investment of **\$2.2 million**.

### **The Boeing Company – August 2007**

*Project Manager: Bill Dobbs, Georgia Department of Economic Development*

Boeing has announced that they have been awarded the contract to manufacture parts for the Air Force A-10 Thunderbolt II. The A-10 Thunderbolt II is a single-seat, twin-engine jet aircraft developed by Fairchild-Republic for the United States Air Force to provide close air support (CAS) of ground forces by attacking tanks, armored vehicles, and other ground targets, also providing a limited air interdiction role. It is the first U.S. Air Force aircraft designed exclusively for CAS. The contract will create **75 jobs**.

### **Seminole Precast Concrete - August 2007**

*Realtor: Miki Folsom, Coldwell Banker Commercial Eberhardt & Barry, Macon, GA*

Seminole Precast Manufacturing produces and supplies earth wall systems, concrete traffic barriers and curbs. They have purchased a 30-acre former Weis Drive-in site on Highway 247 and will **employ 30**.

### **ABC Supply Company, Inc – May 2007**

*Realtor: Jim Rollins, The Summit Group, Macon, GA*

ABC Supply Company, Inc., the largest distributor of roofing and siding materials, tools and supplies in the US, has purchased a 42,000 sq. ft. building on Delta Drive in the Airport Industrial Park. The Beloit, WI based distributor was founded in 1982 and has over 300 locations in 45 states with over \$2 billion in sales. The company has received many awards; including being named one of the

Top 500 Private Companies in the US by *Forbes* magazine. The company will **employ 10** in the facility. Jim Rollins, The Summit Group, represented ABC Supply Co. Inc. in the transaction. Larry Crumbley, The Fickling Co., represented the building's owner. ABC Supply Co. Inc. also has a sponsorship relationship with A. J. Foyt Racing.

### **BLC Hardwoods – April 2007**

*Project Manager: Kathy Bowden, Macon-Bibb County Industrial Authority*

The Wadley, GA based company has purchased a 42,000 sq. ft. facility in the Airport Industrial Park to expand their Macon hardwood flooring processing operation. The company will invest over **\$6.5 million** and add **45 new jobs**. Battle Lumber Company is one of the most modern hardwood grade lumber manufacturers in the US marketing to both domestic and international markets.

### **Home Depot (Hughes Supply and Apex Supply) – April 2007**

*Realtor: Albert Edge, Murphey, Taylor and Ellis, Macon, GA; Art Waldrop, Cushman and Wakefield, Atlanta, GA*

The Home Depot plumbing and heating supply division purchased a 7.5 acre site on Interstate Parkway adjacent to I-475 in northwest Macon to construct a 75,600 sq. ft. office, sales and warehouse. The company will invest **\$3.25 million** and add **45 new jobs**.

### **MBM Foodservices - April 2007**

*Project Managers: Deborah Lohnes, Georgia Department of Economic Development; Jim Lovett, Georgia Power*

The Rocky Mount, NC company considered locations in TN and AL before deciding on the Macon facility. MBM Foodservices will build an **\$8 million**, 91,000 sq. ft. refrigerated distribution center in the Ocmulgee East Industrial Park. MBM Foodservices serves over 23 restaurant chains throughout the country. The Macon facility will serve Chick-fil-a stores in Georgia and adjoining states.

### **Economy Tire of Macon – March 2007**

*Realtors: Jim Jackson, Jackson and Jackson, Macon, GA; Patrick Murphy, Hart Corporation, Atlanta, GA*

Economy Tire of Macon purchased the former Bassett Industries 420,000 sq. ft. manufacturing and warehouse facility. The family owned business will relocate their wholesale passenger and truck tire business to the facility located on 40 acres in the Airport Industrial Park.

### **Choice Concrete Company – January 2007**

The locally owned ready mix concrete provider has purchased 5.11 acres in the Downtown Industrial District to construct a facility to manufacture and distribute ready mix concrete to the Central Georgia market. The company will invest **\$3.19 million** and add **23 new jobs** initially.

### **International Disaster Services – October 2006 The company closed their operations in 2013.**

*Project Managers - Jennifer Nelson, Georgia Department of Economic Development; Jim Lovett, Georgia Power*

The Macon based company has located their new manufacturing and administrative operations to a 26,100 sq. ft. facility in Ocmulgee East Industrial Park. The building was constructed by Garrison Construction Company, Macon, GA. IDS provides housing, support structures and temporary utilities in disaster situations. IDS converts 20' and 40' containers into housing, medical, auxiliary and commercial units.

### **Yancey Bros. Co - August 2006 As of October 2014 the company has not started their facility.**

*Realtor: Sam Buckmaster, The Buckmaster Company*

The "Nation's Oldest Caterpillar® Dealer" announced that Macon would host the company's new product support branch in a 40,000 sq. ft. facility on 25 acres in the I-75 Business Park. The site has been designed to accommodate Yancey Bros. future planned growth. This expansion will increase Yancey Bros. Co.'s employment in Macon-Bibb County to **66**.

### **Freudenberg Texbond - August 2006**

*Project Managers: Deborah Lohnes, Georgia Department of Economic Development; Jim Lovett, Georgia Power*

The Italian manufacturing company selected Macon for an expansion that will add **50 employees** to their existing 90. They will construct a new 50,000 sq. ft. facility and add up to **\$23 million** in equipment. The Macon plant uses over 1 million recycled PET bottles daily in their process. The company selected Macon over sites in the southeast and Canada.

**Stanford Refrigerated Warehouses - August 2006** The company was purchased by Lineage Logistics in 2012 and continues to serve the market.

The Macon-based refrigerated warehouse company will add 40,000 sq. ft to their facility located in the Airport Central Industrial Park increasing their warehouse capabilities to 230,000 sq. ft. in Macon and Fort Valley. The expansion will add **10 jobs**.

**California Cereal Products, Inc. - July 2006**

*Realtors: Jeff Counsell, Trammell Crow, IL; Art Barry, Coldwell Banker Commercial Eberhardt & Barry, Macon, GA*

California Cereal Products, Inc. purchased the 454,476 sq. ft. Kellogg/Keebler Plant. The company will produce cereal products for international and national customers. The **company currently employs 50 people** when they are fully operational. California Cereal Products selected Macon over buildings on the East coast as well as the Midwest.

**Nichiha USA, Inc. - June 2006**

*Project Managers: Scott McMurray, Georgia Department of Economic Development; Bradley Harris, Georgia EMC*

Nichiha USA, Inc. announced they will build a \$78 million manufacturing facility in Macon. Nichiha USA, Inc. has 11 manufacturing plants throughout Japan and two in China, and the company chose Macon for their first manufacturing facility in the United States. Nichiha USA, Inc. specializes in fiber cement panels that are used in commercial, residential, and multi-family properties including patterns such as brick, stone, sandstone, and block. Nichiha USA, Inc. selected Macon over sites from Texas to North Carolina. Since the announcement, Nichiha's investment has grown to **\$100 million and they employ 105**.

**AdvancePost - May 2006**

*Realtor: Larry Crumbley, Fickling & Company*

AdvancePost leased 42,140 sq. ft. in the Ocmulgee East Business Park on I-16. The facility will provide work for as many as **65 employees** by the end of 2007 with a planned expansion into a total of 80,890 sq. ft. of processing and warehouse space. The company expects to be operational in Macon by July 1 with rapid growth heading into Q4 of 2006.

**Johns Manville – May 2006**

Johns Manville, a Berkshire Hathaway company, manufactures residential and commercial insulation, commercial roofing, mechanical insulation and materials for other manufacturers' products and applications. They expanded their Macon plant investing **\$5.5 million and added 20 jobs**.

**RBX – April 2006**

*Realtor: Jim Jackson, Jackson & Jackson, Macon, GA*

RBX, Springfield, MO based transportation firm has leased a truck yard on Mead Road. They will be handling logistics for Bass Pro Shops Distribution Center. Macon was successful in obtaining the contract for long haul from Branson, MO to Macon and from Macon to the southeastern feeder stores.

**Asplundh - April 2006**

Since 1928 the Asplundh Tree Expert Co. has been dedicated to safe, efficient and innovative line clearance services to the utility industry. The PA based company opened an office in Macon leasing **2,500 square feet and hiring 5 people**.

**Precision Pipe – 2006**

Precision Pipe & Vessel LLC, is a Denver based ASME code shop with extensive experience in Designing and Building Natural Gas Processing Plants, Prototypes, and other types of Equipment. They opened an office in Macon leasing **2,500 square feet and hiring 8 people**.

**Dowty Propellers – April 2006**

*Realtor: Miki Folsom - Coldwell Banker Eberhardt & Barry, Macon, GA*

Dowty Propellers, a subsidiary of Smiths Aerospace, announced in April that they will locate an engineering support facility for the C-130J program at Robins Air Force Base. Dowty's role at Robins Air Force Base will be the long term maintenance, replacement, and repair of the C-130J propellers as well as maintaining spare parts inventory. Dowty has plans to invest **\$500,000** and create **5 new jobs** in Macon.

**Sara Lee Food & Beverage - January 2006** Sara Lee reorganized and changed the name to Tyson Foods in 2015.

*Project Managers: Matthew Patterson - Georgia Department of Economic Development; Michelle Cooper - MEAG Power*

Sara Lee was the first company announced in the I-75 Business Park. The company is constructing a 213,000 sq. ft., **\$23 million** distribution center in the I-75 Business Park. The facility will distribute both frozen and refrigerated Sara Lee meat and bakery products to the Southeast market. This is the first dedicated distribution center in Georgia for the Downers Grove, IL company. Sara Lee selected Macon over other Georgia sites and will house their customer service operations for the Southeast out of this facility.

**Fed Ex. Ground – December 2005**

*Project Manager: Brooke Lucas, Macon Economic Development Commission*

Fed Ex. Ground was the last company of the 2005 year to join the Macon community. The company is constructing a 44,771 sq. ft. site in the Garrison Construction Mercer Junction development at I-475 and Mercer University Drive. Fed Ex. Ground will **employ 30 employees** and invest **\$3.17 million** in the project.

**Bluestone - August 2005 Bluestone closed their operation in Macon in 2006.**

Bluestone Consulting Service, a telecommunications outsourcing company, opened an office in Macon leasing 10,000 square feet in downtown Macon. They employed 44.

**Battle Lumber Company – April 2005**

Battle Lumber Co. has purchased two facilities, one in the Airport Central Industrial Park and one in the Airport South Industrial Park. The new facilities will allow Battle Lumber Co. (BLC) to expand their hardwood flooring operation by adding a pre-finished hardwood flooring facility and a new wood flour manufacturing facility. BLC will add **37 employees** and invest over **\$5 million**. BLC, based in Wadley, GA, has operated in Macon since 2001 and employs over 180.

**McClure-Johnston – April 2005**

*Project Manager: Brooke Lucas, Macon Economic Development Commission*

McClure-Johnston will invest **\$750,000** in the Macon community. They have purchased a 21,000 sq. ft. site in the Allied Industrial Park in south Bibb County. McClure-Johnston's investment will create **5 new jobs** in the area.

**Panaprint – March 2005**

*Realtor: Bill Ramsbottom, The Ramsbottom Company, Macon, GA*

Macon based printing company Panaprint, Inc. has purchased a 240,000 sq. ft. facility in Airport Industrial Park and expanded their full service state-of-the-art printing operation. The new facility will allow Panaprint to expand their employment by **60** with an investment of **\$10 million**.

**Bass Pro Shops – January 2005**

*Project Managers: Bill Dobbs, Georgia Department of Economic Development; Buddy Glazner, Georgia Power*

Bass Pro Shops selected Macon as the site for their first Distribution Center (450,000 sq. ft.) outside their Springfield, Missouri headquarters. The nation's leading outdoor recreation company will also construct a 125,000 sq. ft. Sportsman Paradise retail center attached to the Distribution Center. The **\$43 million** retail/DC complex will anchor a 207 acre retail development in the North Pointe Overlook Park in north Bibb County. Bass Pro will **hire 400** for the complex. Bass Pro chose the Macon site over other sites in the Southeast.





Company	Date of Announcement	Product	Investment	Size of Facility	New Jobs	Retained Jobs
Various Existing Companies	January - December 2016		\$44.7 million		599	
Piedmont Brewery & Kitchen	December 2016	Beer Manufacturer	\$400,000	7,000	25	
FedEx Ground	October 2016		TBD	248,000 sq. ft.	TBD	
Guard Buildings	September 2016	Modular Shelters	\$2 million	23,000 sq. ft.	25	
Elite Screens	May 2016			84,600 sq. ft.		
CJ Korea Express	April 2016	Supplier of rubber for Kumho Tire		33,000 sq. ft.	4	
Ocmulgee Brewpub	March 2016	Beer Manufacturer	\$400,000	12,000 sp. ft.	12	
Yulista Aviation, Inc.	January 2016	Aircraft maintenance	\$3.8 million	21,000 sq. ft.	50	
The Boeing Company	September 2015	Aircraft parts manufacturing	\$81 million	220,000 sq. ft.	200	
Chem-Aqua	August 2015	Chemical	\$3.5 million	44,000 sq. ft.		38
Courier Express	July 2015	Courier Service		42,600 sq. ft.		15
First Quality Packaging Solutions, LLC	July 2015	Plastic packaging	\$115 million	314,000 sq. ft.	115	
Kumho Tire	July 2014	Passenger Tires	\$413 million	1,000,000 sq. ft.	450	
Mr. Chips, Inc.	February 2014	Pickle processing	\$8.5 million	12,000 sq. ft.	50	
Pactiv	January 2013 & May 2014	Egg Cartons	\$2.7million \$50 million	237,000 sq. ft.	12	200
Aspen Products	November 2013	Paper plates, cups & bowls manufacturer	\$13 million	200,000 sq. ft.	204	
Lintech International LLC	November 2012	Regional distribution center	\$1.1 million	12,000 sq. ft.	11	
Tractor Supply Company	June 2012	Regional distribution center	\$58 million	686,000 sq. ft.	300	
Global Parts Distributors	December 2011	A/C parts and radiators	\$1.65 million	110,000 sq. ft.		50
Kellstrom Industries	December 2011	Aircraft Parts Logistics	\$1.25 million	110,000 sq. ft.	20	
Graphic Packaging Int'l	June 2011	Paperboard mill	\$140 million	Existing Expansion	58	
USA Discounters	April 2011	Household Distribution Center	\$1.5 million	85,000 sq. ft.	10	
TIMCO Macon	August 2010	Maintenance, Repair & Overhaul – Aircraft	\$1.4 million	Existing Expansion	130	
First Quality	August 2010	Baby diaper manufacturer	\$200 million	750,000 sq. ft.	53	222
Make Manufacturing	July 2010	Aircraft parts manufacturing	\$1 million	940,000 sq. ft.	15	
Bombardier	December 2009	Maintenance, Repair & Overhaul – Aircraft	\$4 million	91,000 sq. ft.	80	100
BLC Hardwoods	December 2009	Hardwood flooring	\$1 million	Existing Expansion	20	
Bolts & Nuts, Inc.	December 2009	Parts for transportation industry	\$250,000	6,000 sq. ft.	5	
Calco Environmental Group	August 2009	Steel fabrication	\$2 million	Existing Expansion	5	18
Excess Incorporated	December 2008	Transportation inventory liquidation and export	\$1.5 million	90,000 sq. ft.	6	
YKK AP America	April 2008	Residential product line	\$10 million	Existing Expansion	60	
Macon Chips (43)	December 2007	Wood chips	\$40 million	Existing Expansion	40	

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The Boeing Company	August 2007	Aircraft parts manufacturing – Chinook Helicopter	\$2.2 million	Existing Expansion	22	15
The Boeing Company	August 2007	Aircraft parts manufacturing - A-10 Thunderbolt II		Existing Expansion	75	
Seminole Precast Concrete	August 2007	Precast concrete	\$2 million	30 acres	30	
ABC Supply Company, Inc.	May 2007	Siding & roofing materials	\$1 million	42,000 sq. ft.	10	
BLC Hardwoods	April 2007	Hardwood flooring	\$6.5 million	42,000 sq. ft.	45	
Home Depot (Hughes Supply)	April 2007	Plumbing and heating supply warehouse	\$3.25 million	75,600 sq. ft.	45	
MBM Foodservices	April 2007	Refrigerated warehouses	\$8 million	91,000 sp. ft.	100	90
Economy Tire Company	March 2007	Wholesale tires	\$1.5 million	420,000 sq. ft.	25	
Choice Concrete	January 2007	Ready mix concrete	\$3.19 million	5.11 acres	23	
International Disaster Services	October 2006	Housing, support structures and temporary utilities in disaster situations	\$2 million	26,100 sq. ft.	40	
Freudenberg Texbond	August 2006	Nonwoven polyester reinforcements for roofing industry	\$23 million	50,000 sq. ft. expansion	50	
Stanford Refrigerated Warehouses/Lineage Logistics 2012	August 2006	Refrigerated warehouses	\$3.5 million	40,000 sq. ft. expansion	10	
California Cereal Products	July 2006	Cereal	\$6.5 million	454,476 sq. ft.	50	
Nichiha USA, Inc.	June 2006	Fiber cement panels	\$100 million	60 acre site; 405,046 sq. ft.	105	
AdvancePost	May 2006	Mail and package sorting	\$1 million	42,000 sq. ft.	65	
Johns Manville			\$5,500,000	Existing Expansion	20	
RBX	April 2006	Transportation firm	\$500,000	5 acres	15	
Asplundh (60)	April 2006	Tree and vegetation management		2,500	5	
Dowty Propellers	April 2006	Propellers for C-130J	\$500,000	5,000 sq. ft.	5	
Sara Lee Food & Beverage/Tyson 2015	January 2006	Meat and bakery products	\$23 million	213,000 sq. ft.	140	
Fed Ex. Ground	December 2005	Package and logistics services	\$3.17 million	44,771 sq. ft.; 5 acres	30	
BLC Hardwoods	April 2005	Hardwood flooring	\$3.75 million	42,000 sq. ft.	30	
Wood Fiber Technologies	April 2005	Wood flour	\$1.425 million	5,000 sq. ft.	7	
McClure-Johnston	April 2005	Building materials	\$750,000	21,200 sq. ft.; 5 acres	5	
Panaprint	March 2005	Printing, binding, design, web press, mailing	\$10 million	240,000 sq. ft.; 19 acres	60	
Bass Pro Shops	January 2005	Distribution center and retail store	\$43 million	575,000 sq. ft.; 60 acres	400	
Kohl's Distribution Center	January 2004	Distribution center for southeast region	\$43 million	520,000 sq. ft.	250	
Northeast Concrete Company	January 2004	Concrete plant	\$100,000	Existing Expansion		15
Small Smiles Dental Clinic	June 2004	Dental	\$100,000	4,000 sq. ft.	10	
Dixon Ticonderoga	May 2004	Distribution center - Sundries	\$1.3 million	100,000 sq. ft.	50	
Battle Lumber Company	2004	Hardwood flooring	\$2.8 million	80,000 sq. ft.		120
Tyco Healthcare/First Quality	2004	Baby diaper manufacturer	\$2 million	Existing Expansion	120	
TIMCO	2004	Maintenance, Repair & Overhaul - Aircraft	\$1.4 million	Existing Expansion	150	
GEICO	2004	Insurance services call center		Existing Expansion	400	

The Boeing Company	2004	Aircraft parts manufacturing	\$1.1 million	Existing Expansion	30	30
Affinity Outsourcing (78)	2004	Business Services	\$600,000	40,000 sq. ft.	50	
<b>Additional Companies that have closed or relocated since announcing</b>	<b>18</b>		<b>\$30,680,000</b>	<b>835,102 sq. ft.</b>	<b>499 New Jobs</b>	<b>50 Retained Jobs</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>96 New / Expanding Industries</b>		<b>\$1,593,317,690</b>	<b>10,435,995 sq.ft.</b>	<b>5,498 New Jobs</b>	<b>963 Retained Jobs</b>

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